



Docket No. 5000-4723

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Goro ASAHI et al. Group Art Unit: 2621
Serial No.: 09/484,316 Examiner: Senfi, Behrooz M.
Filed: January 18, 2000
For: APPARATUS FOR ASSISTING STEERING OF VEHICLE WHEN
BACKING

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Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Final Office Action dated July 18, 2006, for which a shortened statutory period for reply has been set at three (3) months. This Amendment is being filed to expedite resolution of the above-referenced Application and to remove issues from appeal and/or adopt the Examiner's suggestions. Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments and reconsideration in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the **Claims** are included beginning on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.



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AMENDMENT FEE TRANSMITTAL

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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application.

☒ No additional fee is required.☐ The additional fee has been calculated as shown below:**CLAIMS AS AMENDED**

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Covered by Previous Payments	Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims*	21	21	0	\$50.00/ \$25.00	\$ 0
Independent Claims	3	3	0	\$200.00/ \$100.00	\$ 0
Multiple Dependent Claims	(If claims added by amendment include Multiple Dependent Claim(s) and there was no Multiple Dependent Claim(s) in application before amendment add \$360.00 to additional fee (\$180.00 for small entity).				\$ 0
TOTAL					\$ 0

*Includes all independent and single dependent claims and all claims referred to in multiple dependent claims. See 37 C.F.R. §1.75(c).

- ☐ Small entity status is or has been claimed.
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- ☐ _____ Computer disk(s) containing substitute Sequence Listing
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- ☐ A check in the amount of \$_____ to cover the filing fee is attached.
- ☐ Charge fee to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. _____. A DUPLICATE COPY OF THIS SHEET IS ATTACHED.
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for filing this amendment, including all fees pursuant to 37 CFR §1.17 for its timely consideration, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 5000-4723.

Respectfully submitted,
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